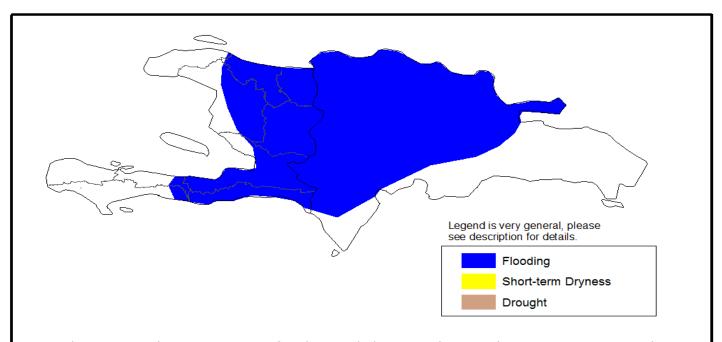






Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET May 3 – May 9, 2012

Locally heavy rainfall in early May sustains the potential flooding and landslides across portions of Hispaniola.



During the past seven days, a continuation of moderate to high amounts (50-75mm) precipitation were received across Hispaniola, with the heaviest amounts observed in the central and northern coastline of the Dominican Republic. The anomalously wet conditions during late April were associated with persistent trofing and stalled frontal boundaries across the Caribbean. Over the last 30 days, precipitation has remained well-above average throughout much of Haiti and the Dominican Republic, as rainfall surpluses generally range between 50-100mm. Some local areas have experienced higher rainfall surpluses exceeding 100mm. The anomalously wet conditions in April are expected to ease many drought affected areas in Haiti following a below-average offseason since Jan. However, the continuation of above-average rainfall in early May is also expected to sustain the potential for flooding, and possible landslides in the higher elevations of Hispaniola.